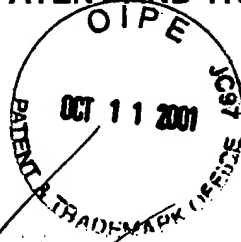


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of June 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as shown below. The computer red-lined version of the changes made to the claims is attached for your review.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amended Claim 1:

- B)
1. A method for communicating power control information for at least two communication channels, comprising the steps of:
- transmitting power control information for a first channel within a portion of a first segment of a pilot channel, the first segment being one of a plurality of repeating segments; and
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- transmitting power control information for a second channel within a corresponding portion of a second segment of the pilot channel, the second segment being one of the plurality of repeating segments.